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## ENZI ANNOUNCES PRESS ADDITIONS AT HELP

**Washington, D.C.** - U.S. Senator Mike Enzi (R-WY), Ranking Member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee, today announced the addition of two accomplished media professionals, **Stephen D. Wymer and AshLee A. Strong**, to expand the HELP Committee's press office.

"As the Congressional agenda focuses more and more on the HELP Committee, I'm so pleased we can add these two impressive folks to our press team. I'm confident their skill and hard work will let us better inform the media and the public."

The hiring of two additional members for the Committee's media outreach team signals Senator Enzi's strong commitment to keep the public up to date about the important health, education, labor and pensions work the Senate is doing to solve problems facing America's families. The pair will join Communications Director Craig Orfield and Deputy Communications Director Michael Mahaffey.

**Wymer**, who joins the minority staff as **Communications Advisor**, has served as Communications Director for former Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO). While working for Senator Allard, he led media outreach on many issues within the HELP Committee's area of responsibility, often working to ensure that Western states were not left out of important policy decisions in the Senate.

Wymer began his Senate career working for former Senator Gordon Smith (R-OR), after holding positions with members of Washington State's Congressional delegation and the Secretary of State for Washington. His experience also includes service to the US State Department's Democracy & International Information Programs.

A native of Washington State, Wymer earned a Bachelor's degree from Washington State University and studied negotiating at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

**Strong**, who joins the staff as **Press Assistant**, is a former Deputy White House Liaison for the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. Her previous work included advance planning for press conferences and other events in the US and overseas, as well as

media outreach to the national press corps. Strong also has done substantial work related to health care policy, including support for the First Lady's Helping America's Youth Initiative.

A native of Montana, Strong served as an Intern for former Senator Conrad Burns (R-MT) and as a Legislative Intern for Congressman C.L. "Butch" Otter (R-ID). She earned a Bachelor's degree from the University of Montana.

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